GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RURAL DEVELOPMENT
LOK SABHA

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ASSISTANCE FOR RURAL DEVELOPMENT PROJECTS
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Will the Minister of RURAL DEVELOPMENT be pleased to state:

(a) whether the state Government of Gujarat has sought additional Central assistance and external assistance for various rural development projects;

(b) if so, the details thereof;

(c) whether the Government has been urged to approve the external aid for development of non-forest wastelands in Gujarat;

(d) if so, the reaction of the Union Government thereto?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RURAL DEVELOPMENT(SHRIMATI SURYAKANTA PATIL)

(a) & (b) Yes, Sir. The Government of Gujarat had sought Additional Central Assistance (ACA) under the wage employment scheme namely, the Sampoorna Gramin Rozgar Yojana (SGRY), and the Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY). Accordingly, the Ministry of Rural Development has released the additional instalment of Rs. 334.22 lakh and 33342 MT of wheat, besides normal release of Rs. 9607.01 lakh and 110098 MTs of wheat under the Sampoorna Gramin Rozgar Yojana (SGRY) during the year 2004-05 as Central share. Similarly, an amount of Rs. 2.26 crore was released during 2004-05 under the Indira Awaas Yojana (IAY) for reconstruction of 16969 Houses affected by floods in 13 districts of Gujarat. In addition, an amount of Rs. 1.56 crore was also released as additional central assistance under the IAY from out of saving for the purpose.

(c) & (d) The proposal to approve the external aid for development of non forest Wastelands in the State of Gujarat has not been received.